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¶1. On April 29, PolOff joined Arjen van den Berg, Political Counselor at the Dutch Embassy in Beijing, and Andrey Chernyshov, Second Secretary at the Russian Embassy in Beijing, to present the proposed agenda for the June 16-17 2009 Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism (GICNT) Plenary Meeting in the Hague to MFA Arms Control and Disarmament Department Nuclear Division Deputy Director Zhang Shen. Zhang confirmed China would participate and said that MFA Director General for Arms Control and Disarmament Cheng Jingye was considering leading the Chinese "interagency delegation" to the Plenary Meeting.

¶2. Van den Berg invited China to provide a ten minute presentation at the Plenary on China's best practices and lessons learned in its efforts to prevent nuclear terrorism during the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympics. Zhang said China would "seriously consider" this "very interesting" suggestion.

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